

Community Police Council reacts to recent violence

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The Community Police Council (CPC) is saddened by the recent events that occurred in Baton Rouge, Falcon Heights and Dallas. We acknowledge the hurt, anger and frustration that exist with residents and police as we process what has happened. We also recognize the importance of our work to facilitate positive engagement and increased trust between law enforcement and the neighborhoods they serve to support safe and inclusive communities.

CPC has worked diligently to provide opportunities for the community to

speak, be heard, and be considered. Through our listening tours in various communities, residents and police have the opportunity to sit down with



one another to learn and share information. The Citywide high school poetry slams provide an opportunity for youth to express themselves and officers to hear their voices. The Dayton Mediation Center is available to citizens who have complaints about their interactions with police, to have a conversation with the officer involved. The Dayton Police Department offers opportunities for citizens to ride along with them during their shifts to gain a better understanding of their experiences while on duty.

This, by no means, overshadows the need for continued improvement in building better relationships and understanding. We are trying, but we do need your help and hope that you will work with us to make progress toward keeping our residents and police officers safe.

If you would like to make recommendations, contact the HRC at (937) 333-1403. You may also participate in the next listening tour scheduled for July 28, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. We are finalizing the location, check www.daytonhrc.org or call our office for updates.

About CPC

The Community Police Council (CPC), a council comprised of community and faith-based leaders, law enforcement, and local government advises the Dayton Human Relations Council on policy and systemic issues that challenge community-police relations. The Council serves the Dayton community by ensuring mutual responsibility for public safety and by addressing concerns of all residents. The Council is responsible for ensuring that Dayton is unified around its common goal of mutual trust, accountability.





